Intervention: California Adolescent Sibling Pregnancy Prevention Program

Finding: Sufficient evidence for effectiveness

Potential partners to undertake the intervention:	
⊠Nonprofits or local coalitions	☐Businesses or labor organizations
Schools or universities	☐Media
⊠Health care providers	
⊠State public health departments	□Policymakers
☐Hospitals, clinics or managed care organizations	Other:

Background on the intervention:

This program provides individualized case management and care as well as sex education to the adolescent siblings of pregnant and parenting teens. It is recommended for economically disadvantaged Hispanic youth, ages 11 to 17.

Findings from the systematic reviews:

Overall, female program participants delayed the initiation of sexual intercourse and assisted male youth to increase consistent use of contraception. The program resulted in reductions in teen pregnancy rates among program youth relative to comparison youth.

Limitations/Comments:

This program was specifically designed for high-risk teens, where high-risk is defined as teens who have full or half siblings who have been pregnant or were parents and who participated in California's CAL-LEARN program.

Additional information:

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References:

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